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**Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/600,712
For: FILTERED CIGARETTE INCORPORATING A BREAKABLE CAPSULE
Our Reference No: 14150-00601**

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-referenced application are the following documents:

- (1) Information Disclosure Statement (1 page);
- (2) PTO/SB/08A (4 pages); and
- (3) 72 cited references (66 U.S. patent documents and 6 foreign patent documents).

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits. No certification or fee is required.

Please date-stamp the enclosed copy of this letter, acknowledging receipt of the above-identified documents, and return it to us.

Sincerely yours,



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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, and 1.97-1.98, the attention of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08A. It is respectfully requested that the references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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Respectfully submitted



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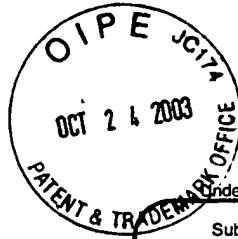
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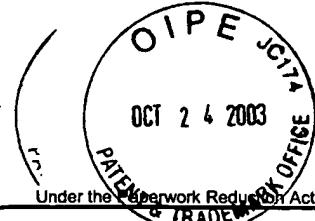
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